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New York -- The tobacco industry has increased its financial support of private research into possible causes of lung cancer.

An additional $300,000 has been authorized for this year, bringing to $4 million the total research appropriation, the Tobacco Industry Research Committee said yesterday.

The industry contends there is no proof of any connection between cigarette smoking and lung cancer.

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The United Presss International wires also carried the story.

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Tobacco Industry Hikes Cancer Fund

The Tobacco Industry Research Committee reported today it has authorized an additional $300,000 for cancer research this year.

The extra funds were requested in addition to the $500,000 allocated this year by Dr. Clarence Cook Little, scientific director of the committee. "Research keeps opening up new areas that need further study," he said. "We plan to add certain lines of research and expand others."

Dr. Little said some of the major new research areas the committee would examine were the possible role of viruses in cancer, previous lung damage, constitutional differences among smokers and nonsmokers and air pollution.

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THE NEW YORK TIMES
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CANCER CLUES PUSHED

Tobacco Industry Unit Backs New Areas of Investigation

The Tobacco Industry Research Committee announced yesterday that it was increasing its financial aid to medical research because new areas of investigation pertaining to cancer had been opened up.

Timothy V. Hartnett, chairman of the committee, said that the areas warranting intensified study included viruses, air pollution, constitutional differences between smokers and nonsmokers and the existence of previous lung damage in cancer cases.

The committee's regular research appropriation of $500,000 for 1960 has been increased by $300,000, Mr. Hartnett stated.

The committee declared that recent research tended to raise doubts about, rather than support the contention that smoking was a major causative factor in lung cancer.

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Tobacco Men Widen Cancer Research Aid

The Tobacco Industry Research Committee announced yesterday it had appropriated $300,000 in additional funds for its 1960 cancer research program. It had previously granted $500,000 for support of independent health research programs.

Timothy V. Hartnett, chairman of the tobacco industry-supported committee, said the funds would be used to broaden the scope of the committee's grants-in-aid program to include new areas of research into possible causes of cancer. Viruses, previous lung damage, constitutional differences between smokers and non-smokers and air pollution will be the areas investigated.

Other Origins

Dr. Clarence Cook Little, scientific director of the committee, said he had requested the funds because "intensive research efforts in the last few years have opened many doors of knowledge in the search for the origins of lung cancer and heart disease. It has become increasingly evident that concentration on a single factor, such as smoking, will not produce the answer to these exceedingly complex problems."

Dr. Little added, "Charges against smoking have been put through extensive research and have not been proved in the scientific laboratory. The results of recent research tend to raise doubts about, rather than support, the claims that smoking is a major causative factor in lng cancer."

Identifies Factors

He said "many factors in a complex chain" may "result in lung cancer." He identified "a few" as "air pollution, viruses, lung damage, poor nutrition, constitutional makeup, exposure to occupational hazards and fumes from motor fuels."

The T. I. R. C. has granted $4,000,000 since its formation in 1954 to cancer research projects.

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